

Law Division

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March 23, 1916.

Mr. J. E. Kurtz,
Connellsville, Pa.

Sir:

In response to your communication of the 18th instant, requesting two applications for pension under the act of September 8, 1916, you are advised that this Bureau does not furnish blank forms in bulk to any one, but you will find herewith a sample form of declaration for widow's pension under the act of April 19, 1908, as amended by the act of September 8, 1916, and an application for married widow's pension under Section 2 of the act of September 8, 1916.

Respectfully,

H. C. TIERMAN

Acting Commissioner.

WHL-mef

Ex'r.

DEPENDENT.

4/2

No.

1117486

Act of Act of April 19, 1908
amended by Act Sept. 8, 1918

Notified

Mar. 30, 1918

May 9, 1918, Claimant for

1 Her full address in full

2 Death of soldier

3 Marriage

4 Any prior marriage of herself

5 Any prior marriage of soldier

6 Cohabitation and any divorce. J.D.P.

Nov. 14, 1918 to Law

Div. for Justice of Peace

Margaret E. Cowgill

H.M. 11-27-18

Wid.

James A. Cowgill

Service G & P. H. B. Md. Inf

Died Feb. 28, 1918. Cornellsville, Pa.

No other claim. than

I.O. # 809705.

Mch. 30, 1918

CPC

Clerk.

Application filed: Mch. 20, 1918.

Attorney: None

P. O.

Cert. of Dis. Searched for _____, 1918



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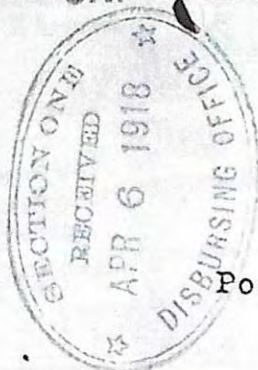
DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

OFFICE OF THE DISBURSING CLERK

WASHINGTON

MAR 30 1918



Postmaster,

Connellsville, Pa.

Sir:

On or about APR 4 1918 a letter containing a pension check will reach your office addressed to
James A Cowgill, 106 S. 4th St.

Please return it to me immediately upon its receipt as this office is informed that pensioner is dead.

Endorse date of death, if obtainable, in space provided below, and return this letter with said check.

Very respectfully,

GUY O. TAYLOR,

Disbursing Clerk.

Ctf.# 809,705

Pensioner died Feb. 28 - 1918

(D-B)

3-1561

THE INTERIOR,
IONS,
PURSING CLERK,
U. C.
IN TEN DAYS.

RETURN



Check No 6476404



TO THE POSTMASTER:

The Act of August 17, 1912, prohibits the delivery of this letter to any person if the addressee has died or removed, or being a widow, is believed to have remarried; and postal regulations prohibit its delivery if the pensioner has reenlisted in the military or naval service of the United States, and require its return forthwith in any such case with a statement of the reasons for so doing, and if on account of death, remarriage or reenlistment, the date thereof if known.



CIVIL WAR DIVISION
WID. CRIT. 1117, 486.
Margret Cowgill
James A. Cowgill
G. 2 PHS. No. Inf.

JPP/GWL

J. P. A.

May 9, 1918.

MRS MARGRET COWGILL,
CORNFELLSVILLE,
PENNSYLVANIA.

MADAM:

In your above entitled claim for pension, in addition to the evidence indicated in the accompanying circular letter, there should be furnished your statement giving your postoffice address in full over your own signature, you having failed to state the same in your application for pension.

Very respectfully,

G. M. SALTZGABER.

Commissioner.

CIVIL WAR DIVISION
WID. ORIG. 1117, 486.
Margret Cowgill
James A. Cowgill
G.2 PHB. Md. Inf.

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JEP/GWL

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR

BUREAU OF PENSIONS

WASHINGTON

May 9, 1918.

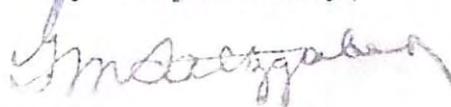
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MRS MARGRET COWGILL,
CONNELLSVILLE,
PENNSYLVANIA.

MADAM:

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Very respectfully,



Commissioner.



CIVIL WAR DIVISION
WID. ORIG. 1117,486.
Margret Cowgill
James A. Cowgill
G.2 PHB.Md. Inf.

JEP/GWL

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DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS
WASHINGTON, D.C.,
MAY 9, 1918.

J.P.P.

MRS MARGRET COWGILL,
CONNELLSVILLE,
PENNSYLVANIA.

WADAN:

In this claim, the evidence indicated in paragraph No. 1, 2, 4, 5 and 6 should be furnished:

- * 1. Death. A verified copy of the public record, or if no such record exists, the sworn statement of the attending physician, showing the date _____ of the soldier's death.

If such evidence can not be obtained, the sworn statement of witnesses having personal knowledge of the facts should be furnished, showing the fact and date of the soldier's death.

- * 2. Marriage. A verified copy of the public or church record of the claimant's marriage to the soldier; or, if no such record exists, the sworn statement of the person who performed the ceremony; or, if that can not be obtained, the sworn statement of two persons who were present at the marriage, showing the date thereof.

If the evidence of marriage above indicated can not be obtained, there should be furnished the sworn statement of two persons showing whether the claimant and soldier lived together as husband and wife and were so recognized, and showing where and how long within the affiants' knowledge they so lived together.

3. The claimant's sworn statement showing whether either she or the soldier had been married prior to their marriage to each other; and, if so, the number of times, the name of each former husband or wife, the date of each former marriage, and the date and manner of dissolution of each former marriage.

- * 4. If the claimant had been previously married, the fact and date of death or divorce of each former husband should be proved: in case of death, by a verified copy of the public record, or, if no such record exists, by the sworn statement of witnesses; in case of divorce, by a certified copy of the decree of court. If there was no prior marriage of claimant, the fact should be shown by the sworn statement of witnesses who have known her from the time she became of marriageable age.



J.P.P.

- * 5. If the soldier had been previously married, the fact and date of death or divorce of each former wife should be proved: in case of death, by a verified copy of the public record, or, if no such record exists, by the sworn statement of witnesses; in case of divorce, by a certified copy of the decree of a court. If there was no prior marriage of soldier, the fact should be shown by the sworn statement of witnesses who knew him from the time he became of marriageable age.
- * 6. The sworn statement of witnesses having knowledge of the facts, showing whether claimant and soldier were ever divorced, and whether they lived together as husband and wife up to the date of the soldier's death.
7. If the claimant has not remarried since the soldier's death, the fact should be shown by the sworn statement of witnesses having knowledge thereof. If she has remarried, the date of remarriage should be shown by evidence of the kind indicated above in paragraph 2.
8. If claimant had been previously married, her sworn statement showing whether any former husband served in the Army or Navy of the United States; and, if so, the designation of such service, and whether any application for pension has been made by herself or any other person based on such service.
9. Births. Date of birth of each child claimed for should be shown by evidence in the following order: By a duly verified copy of the public record or the church record of baptism; or by the sworn statement of the physician who attended the mother; or, by the sworn statement of a person who was present at the birth, who should state how she is able to fix the date.
10. The sworn statement of two witnesses showing whether the child claimed for (naming them) living; if any has died, proof of the date of death should be furnished.
11. The claimant's sworn statement naming the places of her residence ever since the death of the soldier, giving dates.

A sworn statement may be made before any officer authorized to administer oaths for general purposes.

No affidavit can be considered satisfactory that fails to state affiant's age, post-office address and means of knowledge of the facts stated.

Do not fail to inscribe on every paper filed the name and service of the soldier or sailor and the number of the claim to which it relates.

Very respectfully,

G. M. SALTZGABER,
Commissioner.



STATE OF PENNSYLVANIA.
COUNTY OF WESTMORELAND ss

Burial War Liv
Wid. org 1117-486
Margret Cowgill
James A Cowgill
Co 3, 2nd Reg, H.B. Ind. Imp

In the claim of Margret E. Cowgill, Widow of
James A. Cowgill, Company G, 2nd Reg, Maryland Vol. Inf, P.H.

On this Twenty fifth Day of May, A.D. 1918, before me a Notary
Public in and for said County and State, duly authorized to
administer Oaths, Personally appeared, D.E. Cowgill, whos Age is
Seventy (70) Years, and his Post Office Address is R.D. #2 Box
#170-A. West Newton, Pa. who being duly Sworn, declares in re-
lation to sforesaid case as follows,

That he has known JAMES A. COWGILL, from the time that he became
of Marriagable Age and up to the time of his Death, and knows
that he was never Married to any other Person until he was
Married to Margret Gramlich, now Margret Cowgill, and they lived
to-gether as Man and Wife up to the date of his Death, without
separation, the knowledge of knowing the facts herein stated are
that he was a Brother of mine and I was at his Funeral March-
Fourth 4th-1918.

Sworn and subscribed to before me
this Twenty-fifth, Day of May, A.D. 1918

D. E. Cowgill

A. B. Adams
NOTARY PUBLIC.

MY COMMISSION EXPIRES
MAY 28, 1921



Shirubland and
June 5/18

▼ Mrs Margaret E. Congell, in her
younger days was sometimes called
"Maggie," but her christened name
is Margaret, E. Sworn to by both
Ellen Bradley and Miss Virginia Ogle

Miss H. Wolford J.P.



In the matter
of widow claim
for pension,
Margaret E.
Gonzell, widow
of James A.
Gonzell, Co. G.
2nd P.H.B. Regt.

Cumberland Md

June 5th 1918.

I The undersigned, a justice of the
peace of the State of Maryland, in
and for Allegany County, hereby certify,
Mrs Ellen Bradley of Cumberland Md
aged 68 years; and wife Miss Virginia
Ogle, of Cumberland Md, aged 65
years, depose and swear that they
and each of them have known the
claimant since her childhood
days, they all lived on the same street and
grew up together, attended parties to-
gether, and each of them swear that
the claimant was not married previous
to her union with the deceased soldier;
- And they further swear that the claimant
has not re-married since the death of the
soldier; and they further swear that the
claimant and deceased soldier lived together
as husband and wife until the hour of the
soldier's death.

Signed
Ellen ^{sen} Bradley
Virginia ^{mark} Ogle

Test: W. A. Brown
to H. Walford

Subscribed and Sworn to this 5th day
of June 1918.

Chas. H. Walford

See Law Book card

U.S. DEPT. OF JUSTICE
JUN 12 1918
S.

In the claim
for widow's pension,
Margaret E. Congill
widow of James A.
Congill, Co. B, 2nd P.M.B.,
Med. Inf.

Crummeland Md.

June 7th 1918.

I, The undersigned, a Justice of the Peace
of the State of Maryland, in and for
Allegany County, hereby certify, Dr
J. A. Dorrner, a highly reputable
physician of the Baltimore and Ohio
Rail Road Co, residing at Crummeland
Md. aged 61 years personally appeared
and made oath in due form of law
that he was personally acquainted
with James A. Congill the deceased
Soldier, and that he was not married
previous to his union with the claimant
Margaret E. Congill. I was his physician
during his early life.

Signed John A. Dorrner M.D.
Subscribed and sworn to this 7th
day of June 1918.

Chas. H. Walford J. P.



Marriage License

West Virginia, County of Berkeley, to-wit:

TO ANY PERSON LICENSED TO CELEBRATE MARRIAGES:

You are hereby authorized to join together in the Holy State of Matrimony, according to the rites and ceremonies of your Church or religious denomination, and the laws of the State of West Virginia,

James A. Cowgill
and Maggie E. Bramlich

Given under my hand, as Clerk of the County Court of said County, this 19th
day of June, 1882.

C. W. Doll

Clerk of County Court for Berkeley County.

Certificate to Obtain a Marriage License

To be annexed to the License required by Chapter 63, Code

Time of Marriage June 20 - 1882

Place of Marriage Berkeley Co. W. Va.

Full Names of Parties Married { James A. Cowgill
Maggie E. Bramlich }

Age of Husband 41 years

Age of Wife 33

Condition of Husband (Widowed or Single)

Condition of Wife (Widowed or Single)

Place of Husband's Birth Hampshire Co. W. Va.

Place of Wife's Birth Allegany Co. W. Va.

Place of Husband's Residence Berkeley Co. W. Va.

Place of Wife's Residence " " "

Names of Husband's Parents Valentine + Rebecca Cowgill

Names of Wife's Parents Martin + Elizabeth Bramlich

Occupation of Husband Railroader

Given under my hand this 19 day of June, 1882

C. W. Doll

Clerk of County Court for Berkeley County.

Minister's Certificate of Marriage

I certify that on the nineteenth day of June, 1882
at Martinsburg W. Va. I united in Marriage the above
named and described parties, under authority of the annexed License.

Wm. Gerhardt

The Minister celebrating a Marriage is required, within sixty days thereafter, to return the License to the office of the Clerk who issued the same, with an endorsement thereon of the FACT of such Marriage, and of the time and place of celebrating the same.

1910
JUN
27
1918
OFFICE

A True Copy

Teste: E. A. Hobbs, Clerk

Recorded in Marriage Record No. 19, Page 178

State of West Virginia, Berkeley County, to-wit:

I, G. A. Whitmore President of the County Court of County and State aforesaid, do hereby certify that E. A. Hoff by whom the above certificate and attestation was made, and whose name is thereto subscribed in his proper handwriting, was, at the date thereof, and still is, Clerk of the County Court of our said County of Berkeley, duly elected, commissioned and qualified; that the said attestation is in due form of law.

Witness my hand and seal this 8th day of June A. D., 1918.

G. A. Whitmore Pres 

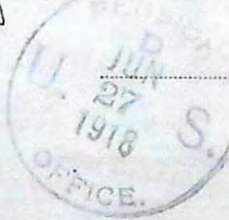
State of West Virginia, Berkeley County, to-wit:

I, E. A. Hoff Clerk of the County Court of said County, do hereby certify that G. A. Whitmore by whom the above certificate was given, whose name is thereto subscribed in his proper handwriting, was, at the date thereof, President of said Court, duly commissioned, qualified and acting as such.

IN TESTIMONY WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of the said Court, the 8th day of June A. D., 1918.

E. A. Hoff

Clerk County Court, Berkeley County, W. Va.



State of Pennsylvania, ()
County of Fayette.) SS:

Civil War Lib
Med. Orig 1117-486
Margret Cowgill
James A. Cowgill
G. 2. Ref P.H.B. Mf. Env

Personally appeared before me, William P. Clark,
Notary Public in and for said county and state, Dr. J. French
Kerr, who is a regular practising physician in the city of
Connellsville, Pa., well known to me to be such, whose Post
Office Address is 115 E. Fairview Ave., Connellsville, Pa.,
who being duly sworn, according to law, deposes and says
that he was the attending physician at the late James A.
Cowgill, deceased, up until his death, which was February
28th, 1918. Being the attending physician of the deceased,
I hereby make this affidavit to the same to be true.

J. French Kerr, M.D.

Sworn to and subscribed before
me this 20 day of June, A. D.
1918.

William P. Clark

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires
February 21st 1919



State of Pennsylvania, (
County of Fayette.)

Civil War div
Ind. Orig 1117,486
Margaret E Cowgill
SS: *James A Cowgill*
Co. G., P.H.B., Ind. Inf

In claim of Margaret Cowgill, the widow of James A. Cowgill, Co. G., 2nd M. D. Inf. Vol. on this 22nd day of June, A. D. 1918, before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared before me, Charles L. Kearns, age 60 years, P. O. Address 128 N. 1st Street, Connellsville, West Side, Pennsylvania, well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit and who being duly sworn and declares in relation to aforesaid case as follows:-

That he was well-acquainted with James A. Cowgill before he married his present wife at Martinsburg, W.Va., that is about 40 years ago by the acquaintance with him at that time, he never was married prior to his present wife.

"I came to Connellsville, Pa., in 1879, and Cowgill came to Connellsville shortly before me or after I came, and we have been living here in this place as near neighbors and friends all of these years up to the present time.

This gives me the personal knowledge of knowing the facts herein stated as I worked with him during the time on the B. & O. Railroad, at Martinsburg, W.Va. and since we came to Connellsville, Pa.", and know that they were always recognized as man and wife.

Charles Kearns

Sworn to and subscribed before
me, this 22nd day of June, 1918.

William P. Clark

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires
February 21st 1919



State of Pennsylvania, ()
County of Fayette.) SS:

Civil War Pension
Wid. Calg. 1117486
Margaret E. Cowgill
James A. Cowgill
Co. 3. PHB. Mda. Ind.

In claim of Margaret Cowgill, the widow of James A. Cowgill, Co. G., 2nd M. D. Inf. Vol., on this 22nd day of June, A. D. 1918, before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, duly authorized to administer oaths, personally appeared before me, Elizabeth Dawson, age 62 years, Post Office Address is 159 W. 2nd Street, Connellsville, Pa., West Side, well known to me to be respectable and entitled to credit and who being duly sworn and declares in relation to the aforesaid case as follows:-

That I have known the said Margaret and James Cowgill for the past thirty-one (31) years and by my acquaintance with them all these years, know that they both lived peaceably together as man and wife, up to the time of his death without divorce, and was always acknowledged man and wife.

The knowledge of knowing the within statement is that we having all been living here all these years lived on 7th Street, and they lived on 2nd Street, when they first came here, and having been particular friends and neighbors these years which gives me personal knowledge of knowing the statement to be true.

Elizabeth Dawson

Sworn to and subscribed before me,
this 22nd day of June, A. D. 1918.

William P. Clark

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires
February 21st 1919.



Civil War Sec
Mich-Orig 1117486
Margaret Cowgill
James A. Cowgill
Co. G. P.H.B. Ind 9th

State of Pennsylvania, ()
County of Fayette.) SS:

In the claim of Margaret E. Cowgill, the widow of James A. Cowgill, Co. G., 2nd., M. D. Inf. Vol., on the 24th day of June, 1918, personally came before me, a Notary Public in and for said county and state, Margaret E. Cowgill, age 68 years, Post Office Address 106 South 4th Street, Connellsville, West Side, Fayette County, Pa., who by me being duly sworn, according to law, and declares in her aforesaid case as follows:-

First that you will find my given name appears in my marriage license from the court as Maggie E. Gramlich, I do not remember why that was given in that way only that in those days they called me Maggie for a short name. Would say under my oath that Margaret is my correct and right name. In all the business that I have been doing all these years has been done under the name of Margaret E. Cowgill.

Sworn to and subscribed the 24th
day of June, A. D. 1918.

William P. Clark

Notary Public.

My Commission Expires
February 21st 1919.

Margaret E. Cowgill



Exr. Q. A.

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Civil War Division, Nov 14, 1918

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

No. 1117486
Name, Margaret E. James A. Leongill
Service, G. 2. P.H.B. Md. Inf
Post office, 106 So. 4th St. Connellsville, Pa.
Attorney, Pa.
Post office, _____

CHIEF OF THE LAW DIVISION:

Has Chas. H. Wolford
of Allegheny county,
State of Maryland,
filed as Justice of the Peace
on June 5th & 7th, 1918 ?
Did he affirm his official oath? yes

John D. Stewart
Chief, Civil War Div.

Law Division, _____, 191

5 / Mon May 1918 to / Mon May 1920

Per K F.

NOV 19 1918

Chief, Law Division.

Section B.

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Civil War

Division

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Washington, D. C., Nov 23, 1918

No. Claim, 1117486

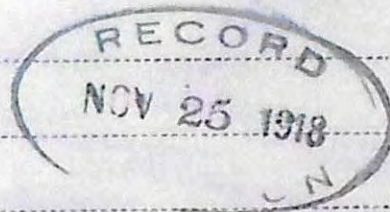
Cert. No. 809.705

Claimant, Margaret E. Cowgill

Soldier, James A. Cowgill

Co. E, 2 Reg't 11th Ind. Inf

Respectfully, referred to the
Chief of Record Division
to record claimant's
correct christian
name - viz. -
Margaret E.



John T. Russell
Chief of C. W. Division.

DEPARTMENT OF THE INTERIOR
BUREAU OF PENSIONS
RECORD DIVISION

Briefed by *H. A. S.*

Wid. Orig. *1117486*

Ins. Cert. *809705*

Claimant *Margaret E. Cowgill*

Soldier *James A. Cowgill*

Service *G 2 P. K. B. Md. Inf.*

No *other* claim, Service record *Nov. 27, 1918*

_____, Clerk.

No claim, Alph'b record _____, 191

_____, Clerk.

REMARKS: *Records corrected.*

W. F. Waite

3-438

Cert.

8097051

Act.

May 11, 1912

ACCRUED PENSION

Class *Invalid*

Pensioner

James A. Congill

Date of death

February 28, 1918. Certificate is not filed.

Claimant

*Margaret E. Congill, widow,
106 South Fourth Street,
Connellsville, W. Va.;
Jayette County, Pennsylvania.*

Attorney

none

The fee of \$

allowed on issue of

Address

to

of

to be paid when

payment is made on accrued.

Submitted

Ad. Dec. 9, 1918, E. B. Palmer, Examiner.

Approved for

*Admission**Pay to widow as above*

Reviewer,

Rereviewer,

1919

1919

M. C.

none

Claimant

writes.

Act of April 19, 1903, amended by
Act of September 8, 1916.

3-732

ms

Cert. No. **858745**

Margaret E
Widow of
James A. Congill

Rank

Priv
E

Company

Regiment

2^d C. H. B. Ind. Inf

Rate per Month \$

25-

Commencing

Mar 20 1918

DEAD

Ending

Agency

or

Group No.

Group 1

Issued

6-3357

Jan 13, 1919

MAY 13 1921

~~REIMBURSEMENT~~

Miss Rebecca
Congill Mc
Finn

REIMBURSEMENT
ALLOWED
AUG 27 1921

Handwritten signature

United States of America



BUREAU OF PENSIONS

It is hereby certified *That in conformity with the laws*
of the United States Margaret E. Cowgill _____
Widow of James A. Cowgill _____
who was a Private, Co. G, 2nd Regiment Potomac Home Brigade
Maryland Infantry _____ *is entitled to*
a pension at the rate of Twenty-five _____ *dollars per month, to*
commence March 20, 1918 _____
_____ *and to continue during her widowhood.*

Given at the Department of the Interior this
thirteenth day of January
one thousand nine hundred and nineteen
and of the Independence of the United States
of America the one hundred and forty-third.

M. M. M. M.
Secretary of the Interior.

Countersigned,

E. C. Sieman

6-4107

Acting Commissioner of Pensions.

MT



APR 6 1921

To the Chief, Finance Division: You are hereby notified that
check # 8557.924, for \$ 90, dated APR 4 1921

in favor of
post-office
Certificate #

MARGARET E COWGILL
CONNELLSVILLE PA
858745 ACT APR
106 S 4TH ST WEST SIDE

Class MAY WIDOW

Section 2 has been returned to me by POSTMASTER

with the information that the pensioner died Mar. 19 1921

and said check has this day been canceled.

(D-1)

Very respectfully,

GUY O. TAYLOR,
Disbursing Clerk.

APR 8 1921 19

DROPPED because of death, which oc-
curred on Mar. 19, 1921
Last paid at \$ 30, to JAN 4 1921

W. N. CAMPBELL
Chief, Finance Division,

Cannellville, Pa.

April 4, 1921.

Bureau of Pensions: -

Received this

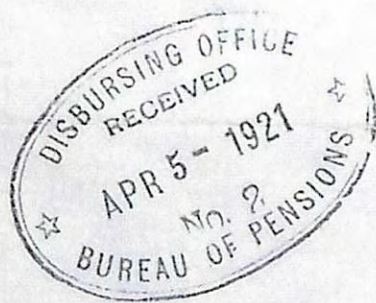
A. M. - Mrs. Margaret E.

Cowgill's pension check for
three months and sending
same back as Mrs. Margaret
E. Cowgill died March 19, 1921.

Yours Truly.

Rebecca Cowgill.

106 S. 4th St. Or Side.



FINANCE
MAY 10 1921
BUREAU OF PENSIONS

Fin
Cornellville Pa.
May 5, 1921.

Bureau of Pensions

Just a month ago
I sent (my mother) Mrs.
Margaret E. Congill's pension
~~papers~~ check back having
stated that she died
March 19-1921 at 6:30 P.M.
I would like to know if
I am entitled to what
was due her. She had 2
months & 19 days in
Her certificate No. is 858,745
Kindly let me know

OFFICE
MAY 1921
PENSION

And Oblige.

Miss Rebecca Congill.

106 N. 4th St. West Side.

Cornellville Pa



RECEIVED
JUN 29 1921
DIVISION

That section forty-seven hundred and forty-five, title fifty-seven of the Revised Statutes of the United States is hereby amended to read as follows:

Sec. 4745.—Any pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment, or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any pension which has been, or may hereafter be, granted, shall be void and of no effect, and any person who shall pledge, or receive as a pledge, mortgage, sale, assignment or transfer of any right, claim, or interest in any pension, or pension certificate, which has been, or may hereafter be granted or issued, or who shall hold the same as collateral security for any debt, or promise, or upon any pretext of such security, or promise, shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution; and any person who shall retain the certificate of a pensioner and refuse to surrender the same upon the demand of the Commissioner of Pensions, or a United States pension agent, or any other person, authorized by the Commissioner of Pensions, or the pensioner, to receive the same shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be fined in a sum not exceeding one hundred dollars and the costs of the prosecution.

Approved February 28, 1883.

No. 858,745.

PENSION CERTIFICATE OF

Margaret E. Cowgill

PAYABLE QUARTERLY

BY THE

DISBURSING CLERK,
BUREAU OF PENSIONS.

Group 1

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Clerk.

REIMBURSEMENT.Certificate No. 858.745Pensioner Margaret BlawgillClass WIDOWDate of Death Mar. 19, 1921.Claimant George BlawgillPost Office 106 S. 4 StWest Side, Connellsville, Pa.Received June 27,, 1921.

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Certificate No. 858745

Deceased Pastor.

Claimant:

AN ACT to amend section 1077, seven hundred and forty-seventh of the Revised Statutes of the United States. (30 Stat. 1718.)

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section forty-seven hundred and forty-six of the Revised Statutes of the United States is hereby amended to read as follows:

Approved July 7, 1908.

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That from and after the twenty-eighth day of September, eighteen hundred and ninety-two, the accrued pension to the day of the death of any pensioner, or of any person entitled to a pension having an application therefor pending, and whether a certificate therefor shall issue prior or subsequent to the death of such person, shall, in the case of a person pensioned, or of any person entitled to a pension, be paid to the surviving widow of such person, or to the child or children under the age of sixteen years at his death; third, in a case of a widow, to her minor children under the age of sixteen years at her death. Such accrued pension shall not be considered a part of the assets of the estate of such deceased person, and shall not be subject to the claims of his creditors, or to the benefit of the widow or children. And if no widow or child survive such pensioner, and in the case of his last surviving child who was such minor at his death, and in case of a dependent mother, father, sister, or brother, no payment whatsoever of their accrued pension shall be made to any person other than the person who bore the expense of their proper maintenance and burial, if they did not leave sufficient assets to meet such expense.

* * * and no part of any accrued pension shall hereafter be used to reimburse any State, county, or municipal corporation for expenses incurred by such State, county, or municipal corporation under State law for expenses of the last sickness or burial of a deceased pensioner.

1. Accrued pension is not a part of the assets of the estate of a deceased pensioner, nor liable for the payment of the debts of such pensioner.
2. Accrued pension is not payable as reimbursement in the case of a person pensioned on account of service if a widow or minor child under sixteen years of age survive.
3. Accrued pension is not payable as reimbursement in the case of any pensioner who left sufficient assets to meet the expense of last sickness and burial.
4. Application for reimbursement should be accompanied by the following evidence:
 - (a) *Bills of all expenses of last sickness and burial.* If paid by the claimant for reimbursement the bills must be properly receipted to said claimant; but if paid in part only the creditor should state by whom paid or from what source such payment was received. If unpaid, the parties to whom said bills are due should note on each bill, over their signatures, that they hold the claimant responsible for the payment. If the bill be for medical treatment it must show the dates of visits or treatment, the charges for each. A bill for nursing and care must show the dates between which the services were rendered, and the rate per day or week. The bill of the undertaker must be itemized, and show the date on which the services were rendered.
 - Each bill must show that the service was rendered for the pensioner on account of whom reimbursement is claimed.
 - All claims should be presented in the name of one person.
 - Bills which are forwarded become a part of the records of the Bureau of Pensions and can not be returned. Claimants should therefore secure duplicates of such bills as needed by them.
 - (b) *The pension certificate which was issued in the name of the pensioner.* If such certificate is not in possession of the claimant a statement showing its whereabouts or final disposition should be made.
5. A careful compliance with these instructions will save much unnecessary delay in the settlement of the claim presented.

The only sum available for payment of a claim presented on this blank is the pension unpaid at the date of the pensioner's death.

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APPLICATION FOR REIMBURSEMENT.

(This application, when properly executed before some officer having authority to administer oaths for general purposes, should be forwarded, together with the pension certificate and itemized bills of all expenses, to the Commissioner of Pensions, Washington, D. C.)

STATE OF Pennsylvania
COUNTY OF Butte

On this 25 day of June, A. D. one thousand nine hundred and 1921,
personally appeared before me, a Notary Public, within and for the County and State aforesaid,
Sever C. Craigill, aged 33 years, a resident of
Cambridge, County of Butte, State of
Penn., who, being duly sworn according to law, makes the following declaration in order
to obtain reimbursement from the accrued pension for expenses paid (or obligation incurred) in the last sickness and burial of
Margaret Craigill, who was a pensioner of the United States by
certificate No. 858, 745, on account of the service of Jesse A. Craigill
in Co. 3, 2nd Regt. Inda Inf. Mass (Name of soldier or sailor.)
That pension was last paid to _____, 19 _____

That the answers to questions propounded below are full, complete, and truthful to the best of my knowledge, information, and belief, and that no evidence necessary to a proper adjustment of all claims against the accrued pension is suppressed or withheld.

1. What was the full name of the deceased pensioner? Margaret E. Craigill
2. In what capacity was decedent pensioned? (As invalid soldier or sailor, or as a widow, minor child, dependent relative, etc.)
Widow
3. If decedent was pensioned as an invalid soldier or sailor—Soldier
 - (a) Was he ever married? (Answer yes or no.) Yes.
 - (b) How many times, and to whom? once Margaret E. Craigill
 - (c) If married, did his wife survive him? (Answer yes or no.) Yes.
 - (d) If so, is she still living? (Answer yes or no.) No.
 - (e) If not living, give full names and dates of death of all wives Margaret E. Craigill
Wid. March 19- 1921
 - (f) Was he ever divorced? (Answer yes or no.) No.
 - (g) If so, is the divorced wife still living? (Answer yes or no.) _____ (If living, a copy of the decree of divorce must be filed.)
 - (h) If not living, give her full name and the date of her death _____
4. Did pensioner leave a child under 16 years of age? (Answer yes or no.) No.
5. Is any such child still living? (Answer yes or no.) _____
6. Were any sick or death benefits paid on pensioner's account? If so, give name of society and amount paid No.
7. Was there insurance (life, accident, or health) in force on life of pensioner at time of death? (Answer yes or no.) No.
8. If so, give the name of each company in which a policy was carried and the amount in which each policy was written _____
9. Who was the beneficiary named in each policy? _____
10. What was the relation of each beneficiary to the pensioner? _____
11. Were the premiums paid by the deceased pensioner? _____
12. If not paid by the deceased pensioner, state the amount of premiums paid by each person who made payment on that account _____



13. Is there an executor or administrator, or will application be made for appointment of any person as administrator? *No.*
14. Did the deceased pensioner leave any money, real estate, or personal property? *No.*
15. If so, state the character and value of all such property _____
16. What was the assessed value (last assessment) of the real estate? _____
17. How was the pensioner's property disposed of? _____
18. Did pensioner leave an unindorsed pension check? (Answer yes or no.) *Yes.*
19. What was your relation to the deceased pensioner? *Son*
20. Are you married? (Answer yes or no.) *No.*
21. What was the cause of pensioner's death? *Hardening of the arteries*
22. When did the pensioner's last sickness begin? *March 6 - 1921*
23. From what date did the pensioner become so ill as to require the regular and daily attendance of another person constantly until death? *From Dec 1919.*
24. Give the name and post-office address of each physician who attended the pensioner during last sickness _____
Dr. J. French Kerr
Cornellville Pa
25. State the names of the persons by whom the pensioner was nursed during the last sickness _____
Miss Rebecca Congill
Mrs. Alice Congill
Mrs. Anna Fischer
26. Where did the pensioner live during last sickness? *West Side, Cornellville Pa.*
27. Where did the pensioner die? *West Side - Cornellville Pa.*
28. When did the pensioner die? *March 19 - 1921*
29. Where was the pensioner buried? *St. Joseph's Cemetery - Cornellville Pa.*
30. Has there been paid, or will application be made for payment to you or any other person, any part of the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial by any State, County, or municipal corporation? (Answer yes or no.) *No.*
31. State below the expenses of the pensioner's last sickness and burial. Write the word *none* where no charge is made in case of any item of expense noted.

(Each charge entered below should be supported by an itemized bill of the person who rendered the service or furnished any supplies for which reimbursement is demanded, and should show, over his signature, by whom paid, or who is held responsible for payment, and contain the name of the pensioner for whom the expense was incurred or service rendered.)

NAMES.	NATURE OF EXPENSES.	STATE WHETHER PAID OR UNPAID.	AMOUNT.
<i>Dr. J. French Kerr</i>	Physician	<i>Paid</i>	<i>\$16.00</i>
<i>C. C. Moore</i>	Medicine	<i>Paid</i>	<i>\$47.30</i>
<i>Chas. C. Mitchell</i>	Nursing and care	<i>None</i>	
	Undertaker	<i>Paid</i>	<i>\$245.50</i>
<i>Louis McKeeny</i>	Livery		
	Cemetery	<i>Paid</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
<i>John T. Bucher</i>	Other expenses and their nature:		
	<i>Funeral Mass</i>	<i>Paid</i>	<i>\$10.00</i>
	TOTAL		<i>\$330.80</i>

32. Is the above a complete list of all the expenses of the last sickness and burial of the deceased pensioner? (Answer yes or no.) *Yes.*

That my post-office address is No. *106* on *4th St.* *West Side* street,
 town or city of *Cornellville*, County of *Fayette*,
 State of *Penn.*

(When the claimant for reimbursement is a married woman, she is required to sign the application with her own full name, not using the Christian name or the initials of her husband, and all bills should be received to her in her own name.)

George Congill
 (Claimant's signature in full.)

Also appeared Mrs. Alice G. Brown and Mrs. Anna F. Fisher
 who, being duly sworn, say that they saw George Cowgill, the claimant, sign his
 name (or make _____ mark) to this application; that they know the claimant herein and that their answers to the
 following questions are true:

1. Did pensioner (if a soldier or sailor) leave a widow or a minor child under age of sixteen years surviving?

2. When did the pensioner die? March 19-1921

3. Did pensioner leave any property? If so, state its character and value _____

4. We knew pensioner 3 years. We believe above statements to be true because the same

Name George G. Brown Name Mrs. Annie F. Fisher
 P. O. Address West Side Connellysville, Pa. P. O. Address West Side Connellysville, Pa.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this _____ day of _____

A. D. 19____; and I certify that the contents of the foregoing application were fully made known and explained to the
 claimant and witnesses before swearing, that I have no interest, direct or indirect, in the prosecution of this claim, and I
 further certify that the reputation for credibility of the witnesses whose signatures appear above is _____

DECLARATION ACCEPTED AS
 A CLAIM UNDER THE ACT OF
 MARCH 2, 1902.

William P. Clark
 (Signature.)

Wm. P. Clark
 (Official Character.)

CHIEF, LAW DIVISION

STATEMENT OF ATTENDING PHYSICIANS.

My Commission Expires
 February 21, 1923.

Give date of the pensioner's death Mar. 19-1921

Give date of commencement of pensioner's last sickness Mar. 6th 1921

From what date did the pensioner require the regular and daily attendance of another person constantly until death? Dec. 1st 1919

During what period did you attend the pensioner? about four yrs.

State nature of disease from which pensioner died General Arteriosclerosis
and apoplexy

Give name of each person who rendered service as nurse, and who has made or will make a charge for such service

Miss Rebecca Cowgill

Give name of any other physician who attended the pensioner in last sickness None

Does your bill include a charge for all medicine furnished the pensioner during the sickness? Yes

Has your bill been paid; if so, by whom? yes; By Geo. Cowgill

Mention any other facts within your knowledge which in your opinion would be helpful in adjusting this claim for reimbursement:

I certify that the foregoing statement is correct.

Connellysville, Pa. Jan 20-1921 J. Frank Stern
 Attending Physician.



No. 858745

REIMBURSEMENT.

Claimant George Crowgill Pensioner Margaret E. Crowgill
 Street and No. 106 S. 4th St. West Side Class Widow
 P. O. Cornellville Law Act May 1, 1920
 State Pa Agency Group 1
 Rate, \$ 30.00 Last paid to Jan 4, 1921 at \$ 30.00
 Last illness commenced Mch 6, 1921 Date of death Mch 19, 1921 Accrued pension \$ 76.55

AMOUNTS CLAIMED.		CHARGES APPROVED.		DEDUCTIONS.	
Physicians' bills	\$ 16 00	\$ 16 00		State aid	\$
Medicine	49 30	14 05		Assets	
Board				Insurance	
Nursing and care				Amount waived	
Rent					
Living expenses for pensioner					
Undertaker's bill	245 50	245 50			
Livery					
Cemetery charges	10 00	10 00		TOTAL	
OTHER EXPENSES.				SUMMARY.	
Church offering	10 00	10 00		Charges approved	\$ 295 55
				Deductions	
				Amount approved	
TOTALS	330 80	295 55			

Approved for \$46.00 ;

Aug 16, 1921
R. E. Kiser
 Examiner.

AUG 17 1921

A. D. Hall
 Reviewer.

ACCOUNTS DUE WHEN STATEMENT
IS RENDERED

TELEPHONES—TRI-STATE 154
BELL 90

Connellsville, Pa., June 1 192 /

Mrs Margaret E. Conzill, Deceased

TO DR. J. FRENCH KERR, DR.

OFFICE, 115 EAST FAIRVIEW AVENUE

For Professional Services Rendered March 1921 8 visits @ 2.00 \$ 16.00
By Cash Dr. J. French Kerr 6/24/21, 192 \$ 16.00
\$ _____

Received Payment,

J. French Kerr
Mrs Kerr

Office Hours—1 to 3 P. M. 7 to 9 P. M.



CONNELLSVILLE, PA.,

JUN 20 1921

19

Mrs Margaret Cowgill
West Side

IN ACCOUNT WITH J. C. MOORE,

DRUGGIST

TERMS CASH.

223 N. WATER STREET.

1919

May	2	Rx 152990	75
	Rx	.. Refilled eleven times	8 25
	5	Rx 153027	1 75

1920		Rx .. Refilled nine times	15 75
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Feb	13	Rx 156573	1 25
	Rx	.. Refilled six times	7 50

Mar	20	Rx 157047	1 00
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Oct	3	Rx 157918	85
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	Rx 11	Refilled eleven times	9 35
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1921			
Feb	16	Rx 162162	75

	Rx 162163	35
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March	16	Rx 162725	1 75
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49 30

Paid by Geo B. Cowgill.
J. C. Moore

per J. F. Hite



PHONES—OFFICE
BELL 32-J
TRI-STATE 824-W

MONTHLY STATEMENT

PHONES—RESIDENCE
BELL 32-L
TRI-STATE 824-X

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Mrs Margaret Cowgill

Per. George Cowgill

IN ACCOUNT WITH

CHAS. C. MITCHELL

FUNERAL DIRECTOR

PRIVATE CHAPEL

119 SOUTH PITTSBURG STREET

1921

Mar. 22	To Casket Box	140 00
" "	Embalming.	15 00
" "	Hearse	15 00
" "	Flower Badge	10 00
" "	4 Limos @ 12 ⁰⁰	48 00
" "	1 Limos @ 10 ⁰⁰	10 00
" "	Limning Grave	4 50
" "	Candles.	3 00
		<u>\$245 50</u>

Paid In full.

April 12, 1921.

By Check, George Cowgill.

Chas. C. Mitchell

C. A. M.C.

Thanks.



Connellsville, Pa. March 24 1921 No. _____

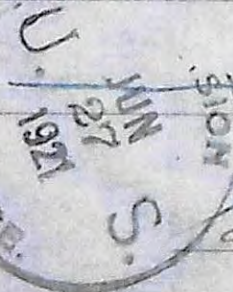
The Union National Bank 60-401

PAY TO THE
ORDER OF

Cash

\$ 10.00

Ten



20 DOLLARS

for digging grave

George B. Bowgill

\$ 10.00

Crills 4-4 1921

Received from George Cougill.

For Dollars.

For Mass at funeral of Mrs Margaret Cougill



Geo G Burns